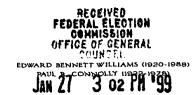
LAW OFFICES

## WILLIAMS & CONNOLLY

725 TWELFTH STREET, N.W. WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005-5901 (202) 434-5000



TERRENCE O'DONNELL (202) 434-5678 FAX (202) 434-5681

January 26, 1999

## BY FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mr. Lawrence M. Noble, Esq. General Counsel **Federal Election Commission** 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

> Re: MUR 4250: Second Request For Extension of Time To

Respond and Request For Factual Information

Dear Mr. Noble:

On behalf of Respondent Haley Barbour, we respectfully request an additional 20 day extension of time to and including February 23, 1999, to respond to the Office of General Counsel's probable cause recommendation and brief.

We require the additional time in order to prepare adequately a response to the lengthy brief filed by the Office of General Counsel and to consider thoroughly numerous related factual and legal issues. We have not had an adequate opportunity to accomplish these tasks in part because the FEC's papers were served over the holidays when neither counsel nor client were available, because of counsel's schedule conflicts, and because of the voluminous nature of the materials. Moreover, the brief itself refers to documents that are not in our possession. Accordingly, we respectfully request that we receive a copy of the documents cited in the Office of General Counsel's probable cause recommendation and brief. We are not in a position to prepare a thorough and comprehensive response without the opportunity to review the materials that you cite and rely upon in your papers.

## WILLIAMS & CONNOLLY

Mr. Lawrence M. Noble, Esq. January 26, 1999 Page 2

If you have any questions regarding our second request for an extension of time or our request to have access to the underlying factual information cited in the General Counsel's brief, please call me at 202-434-5678.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Terrence O'Donnell